	Application No.	Applicant(s)
Notice of Allowability	09/537,405	   WATANABE, YOSHIKAZU
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Thierry L. Pham	2624
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1. This communication is responsive to 4/6/05.		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-57, 62-65; renumbered as 1-	<u>61</u> .	
3. $\boxtimes$ The drawings filed on <u>29 March 2000</u> are accepted by the	Examiner.	
<ul> <li>4.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority unally a)  All b)  Some* c)  None of the:</li> <li>1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have</li> </ul>		
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International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	•	
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4.   Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit	8. 🔀 Examiner's Stateme	nt of Reasons for Allowance
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

• This action is responsive to the following communication: an Amendment filed on 4/6/05.

## Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see pages 21-24, filed on 4/6/05, with respect to claims 1-11, 34-49 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The prior art rejection of claims 1-49 has been withdrawn.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-57, 62-65 are allowable over prior art of record.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The cited prior art (US 6304313 to Honma) of record teaches a digital camera with document and photograph mode including a perspective correction processor 109 for detecting and adjusting/correcting the angle detected to align the document prior to photograph, figs. 4, col. 2, lines 10-20, col. 5, lines 44-60, and col. 7, lines 3-52, but the prior art of record fails to teach and/or suggest "an angle of photograph detection unit which detects an angle of photograph with respect to a surface of a document as the subject in the document photographing mode and prevents capturing the image until a suitable angle of photography is detected in order to minimize distortions in the image captured of the document and in combinations of other features in the claims" as cited in independent claims 1, 7, 12, 18, 23, 29, 34, 39, 44, 46, 48, and 49. The examiner found neither prior art cited in its entirety, nor based on the prior art, nor found any motivation to combine any of prior arts that teaches the above limitations and in combinations of other features as cited in claims 1, 7, 12, 18, 23, 29, 34, 39, 44, 46, and 48.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thierry L. Pham whose telephone number is (571) 272-7439. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9:30 AM - 6:00 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David K. Moore can be reached on (571)272-7437. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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